



Minutes Tempe Veterans Commission November 10, 2020

Minutes of the TEMPE VETERANS COMMISSION held on Tuesday, November 10, 6:00 p.m., via Microsoft Teams.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Jeremy Farr, Chair
Abe McCann, Vice-Chair
William "Bill" Blair
Phillip Kraft
Michelle Lopusky
Cameron Johnson
David Lucier
Chantele Carr

(MEMBERS) Absent:

Timothy Rogers
Alfred Trevino

Staff Present:

Octavia Harris, Deputy Human Services Director
Terrisa Mays, Administrative Assistant II

Guests Present:

Aaron Peterson, City of Tempe
Robin Arredondo-Savage, Councilmember
Kiyomi Kurooka, DWL Architects

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order

Chair Jeremy Farr called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Agenda Item 2 – Attendance

Agenda Item 3 – Public Appearances

Agenda Item 4 – Review and Approval of October 6, 2020 Minutes

MOTION: Motion to APPROVE October 6, 2020 minutes by Commission Member Chantal Carr

SECOND: Motion seconded by Commission Member Michelle Loposky

AYES: Chair Jeremy Farr, Commission Members Bill Blair, Phillip Kraft, Michelle Loposky, Cameron Johnson, Abe McCann, Chantal Carr

Abstained: David Lucier

Agenda Item 5 – Chair’s Remarks

Chair Jeremy Farr welcomed everyone and thanked commission members for their service and efforts to country and community.

Agenda Item 6 – 2020 Boards and Commissions Annual Report – Goals and Accomplishments

Commission reviews 2020 Annual Report and recommends updates to report to the Tempe City Council and Mayor Corey Woods. Goals impacted by COVID -19 (Veteran’s Day Event) to be tabled for next year. Jeremy Farr to touch base with the Tempe Chamber of Commerce regarding 2021 award honoring Kyle Brayer.

Agenda Item 7 – Community Center Master Plan – Human Services Building – Kiyomi Kurooka, DWL Architects

Kiyomi Kurooka from DWL Architects presents updated plans and project schedule for a Human Services Building. Commission to provide additional through staff liaisons by next week.

Agenda Item 8 – Update Tempe Forum Survey – Aaron Peterson, City of Tempe

Aaron Peterson provides update regarding current status of survey. Commission provides feedback to updated survey. Shauna Warner and Nikki Ripley to inform commission best practices for distribution of survey.

Agenda Item 9 – Review Draft Content for Listserv

Octavia Harris presents draft content for newsletter to be distributed by City of Tempe listserv. As survey not currently ready to be distributed, newsletter to be pushed back a month. Staff to draft new listserv content for commission to review via email.

Agenda Item 10 – Commission Member Updates/Announcements

Michelle Loposky shares Arizona State University, Salute the Services from November 5-November 19th, university wide events to be held. David Lucier updates commission on Veteran’s Day Event and the commission’s involvement next year, to be tabled for further discussion. Jeremy Farr asks commission to promote MURPH, for those that need it. David updates the commission on the Fisher House, thanks to the commission for letters of support. A formal application was submitted along with letters of support.

Agenda Item 11 – Future Agenda Items – December 1, 2020

- Human Resources – Veteran’s Supportive City Presentation
- 2020 Boards and Commissions Annual Report – Goals and Accomplishments
- Newsletter
- Veteran’s Survey

Agenda Item 12 – Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Next meeting will be on December 1, 2020

Minutes Prepared by: Terrisa Mays
Reviewed by Octavia Harris

Jeremy Farr, Chair
Tempe Veterans Commission